

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough consideration provided the present application. Claims 9, 10 and 12-16 and 18-27 are now present in the application. Claim 9 has been amended. Claims 9 and 27 are independent. Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 9, 10, 12-16, 18, 20, 22 and 25-27 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Pei, U.S. Patent No. 5,682,043 (hereinafter Pei), in view of Wright, U.S. Patent No. 3,661,081 (hereinafter Wright), Shinoda et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,674,553 (hereinafter Shinoda), and Kimura et al., EP 0862156 (hereinafter Kimura); Ireton, U.S. Patent No. 4,611,539 was cited as evidence. Claim 19 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Pei in view of Wright, Shinoda and Kimura, and further in view of Mourrellone, U.S. Patent No. 4,542,693 (hereinafter Mourrellone). Claim 21 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Pei in view of Wright, Shinoda and Kimura, and further in view of Nagayama et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,701,055 (hereinafter Nagayama). Claims 23 and 24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Pei in view of Wright, Shinoda and Kimura, and further in view of Watanabe et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,270,846 (hereinafter Watanabe). Claim 26 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Pei in view of Wright, Shinoda and Kimura, and further in view of Samworth, U.S. Patent No. 6,213,018 (hereinafter Samworth). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Complete discussions of the Examiner's rejections are set forth in the Office Action, and are not being repeated here.

In the present invention, the steps for forming barrier ribs and forming pixel electrodes are performed before providing the substrate adjacent to the molding roller.

Further, the indentations of the present invention are different from the small and shallow cells of Samworth. The small and shallow cells are for contain the inks. However, the indentation of the present invention is for picking the electroluminescent material. Samworth does not teach the land and groove structure for printing electroluminescent material, but just teaches about the flexographic printer with a plurality of ink-containing cells having honey-comb shaped array. Therefore, the "said convex portions defining lands and having a plurality of indentations for picking up the electroluminescent material firmly" is not taught by Samworth, Pei, Wright, Shioda or Kimura and any combination of them.

Accordingly, none of the references utilized by the Examiner individually or in combination teach or suggest the above-noted features of independent claims 9 and 27. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 9 and 27 and their dependent claims (at least due to their dependency) clearly define over the teachings of the utilized references. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103 are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

All the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed and/or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently pending rejections and that they be withdrawn.

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the Office Action, and that as such, the Examiner is respectfully requested to send the application to Issue.

In the event there are any matters remaining in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicants respectfully petition for a one (1) month extension of time for filing a response in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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